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FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT.

The delay in the publication of this bulletin makes it possible to include in it some commencement items which otherwise would have gone over to the August bulletin.

The baccalaureate sermon was preached by the Reverend Charles Joseph Little, of Garrett Biblical Institute; the commencement address was delivered in the Auditorium, Chicago, by the Honorable Charles W. Fairbanks, Vice-President of the United States.

The address before the Phi Beta Kappa Society was delivered by Professor George Pierce Baker of Harvard University. His subject was, "The Drama as a Social Force."

The Alumni Luncheon, on Wednesday, June 19th, was attended by about seven hundred persons—trustees, members of the faculty, and graduates with their wives or husbands, representing nearly every class from 1862. Of the three living members of this class, two were present with their wives. Addresses were delivered by Mr. Frank E. Knappen, '77, of Kalamazoo, Michigan, and President Harris.

INSTALLATION OF PRESIDENT HARRIS.

The formal installation of President Abram Winegardner Harris was made a part of the annual commencement exercises on the evening of June 20th. The ceremony was simple and dignified, consisting only of a brief historical statement by Bishop William F. McDowell as President of the Board of Trustees, and of the acceptance of the office by the president. The first president of the University was elected in June, 1853, and held office until his death a year and a half later. President Harris is the thirteenth person to hold the office and the eighth on permanent appointment. The names of the presidents with their terms of office, are as follows:

1853-1854—Clark Titus Hinman.

1856-1860—Randolph Sinks Foster.

1860-1867—Henry Sanborn Noyes, *ad interim*.

1867-1869—David Hilton Wheeler, *ad interim*.

1869-1872—Erastus Otis Haven.

1872-1876—Charles Henry Fowler.

1876-1881—Oliver Marcy, *ad interim*.

1881-1890—Joseph Cummings.

1890-1900—Henry Wade Rogers.

1900-1902—Daniel Bonbright, *ad interim*.

1902-1904—Edmund Janes James.

1904-1906—Thomas Franklin Holgate, *ad interim*.

1906- —Abram Winegardner Harris.

HONORARY DEGREES.

At the recent commencement honorary degrees were conferred on the following persons:

DOCTOR OF LAWS—

Charles Warren Fairbanks, Vice-President of the United States.

George H. Simmons, Secretary and Editor of the Journal of the American Medical Society.

DOCTOR OF DIVINITY—

Spencer Lewis, '79, A. M., 1887; B. D., Garrett Biblical Institute, 1881. For twenty-five years missionary in China. Member of the interdenominational committee for the translation of the Bible into the Mandarin dialect of the Chinese language.

MASTER OF ARTS—

Stanley Patterson Black, '82; physician, authority on sanitary science on the Pacific Coast.

RESIGNATION OF PROFESSOR JOHN H. GRAY.

It is with regret that announcement has to be made of the resignation of Dr. John H. Gray as Professor of Political and Social Science. Professor Gray came to this University in the autumn of 1892, and has since held an important place on the college faculty. His work in the class room and his public service on administrative boards have been of a high order. His publications on questions of finance and administration have reflected great credit on both himself and the University. He withdraws at this time to accept an important appointment in the University of Minnesota.

THE DEAN'S LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

By action of the Board of Trustees taken in February, Dean Thomas F. Holgate was granted leave of absence from September, 1907, till June, 1908. This comes after fourteen years of service in the University, the past five years as Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, and the years 1904-06 as Acting President. Dean Holgate will spend the year with his family abroad, the autumn and winter months probably in Cambridge, England.

OTHER FACULTY CHANGES.

Professor Edouard P. Baillot returns in September from his year's leave of absence and resumes his work as head of the department of Romance Languages. Dr. de Salvio of the same department will spend next year in study in France and Spain; Dr. Philip Harry, who served as Professor Baillot's substitute, remaining in the department and conducting the courses in Spanish and Italian.

Dr. Royal Brunson Way, instructor in History, has accepted an important position in Beloit College. His place has been filled by the appointment of Dr. Lynn Thorndike of Columbia University.

Dr. Stuart Pratt Sherman of the department of English Literature goes next year to the University of Illinois. His work in the department will be taken by Mr. Stanley P. Chase, a graduate of Bowdoin College, who has for the past two years been pursuing graduate studies in Harvard.

Mr. William A. Oldfather, on leave of absence during the past year, will return at the mid-year to resume his classes in Latin and Greek.

FELLOWSHIPS.

The following appointments have been made to fellowships in the College of Liberal Arts for the year 1907-08:

Economics: Fred Homer Clutton, A.B., Northwestern University, 1907.

English Literature: Lincoln Robinson Gibbs, A.B., Wesleyan University, 1892; A.M., Harvard University, 1897.

Geology: Gilbert Haven Cady, A.B., Northwestern University, 1905.

German: Louis Baker, A.B., Lawrence University, 1906.

Physics: Harold Stiles, A.B., Harvard University, 1903, A.M., 1904.

Zoölogy: Martin Rist Chase, B.S., Northwestern University, 1907.

ATHLETICS.

The results of the year's work in athletics under the system adopted with the suspension of intercollegiate football have been highly satisfactory. With the appointment of Professor Lewis O. Gillesby to take full control of athletic activities as a regular member of the faculty, out of door sports were put on a plane distinctly higher than under any earlier system. In consequence of his influence a larger proportion of the students have participated in games of various sorts and a genuine love of sport for its own sake has been developed. The careful, conscientious work of Miss Gretchen Huegin with the young women for the past three years has had a marked influence on their health and love of physical exercise.

A summary of the year's work is given in the following figures. It must be remembered that the number of games stated does not include the regular daily practice games:

FOOTBALL.

125 men, forming 8 teams, played 11 competitive games.

BASKETBALL.

145 men, forming 30 teams, played 53 games.

TRACK SPORTS.

81 men participated in 17 different meets.

BASEBALL.

153 men, forming 16 teams, played 52 games.

GYMNASTICS.

125 men and 143 women took regular exercise in the gymnasium four days a week.

DEGREES IN COURSE.

At the recent Commencement degrees were conferred on candidates completing studies in regular course in the following numbers:

Doctor of Philosophy.....	1
Master of Arts.....	16
Master of Science.....	3
Bachelor of Arts.....	68
Bachelor of Science.....	69
Doctor of Medicine.....	130
Bachelor of Laws.....	52
Pharmaceutical Chemist.....	9
Graduate in Pharmacy.....	72
Doctor of Dental Surgery.....	88
Graduate in Music.....	3

Total511

In addition to these, three candidates were awarded diplomas in Music, after the completion of a four years' course, and certificates as Graduate Nurse were granted to thirty-seven candidates from the Training Schools at Mercy Hospital and Wesley Hospital.

This makes the largest number of persons to receive degrees from the University in any one year. The class receiving bachelors' degrees in the College of Liberal Arts numbered one hundred and thirty-seven.

THE NORMAN W. HARRIS LECTURES.

The first series of lectures on the N. W. Harris foundation was delivered in May by Professor Borden P. Bowne, LL.D., of Boston University. His subject was "Personalism" and the lectures attracted wide attention. A large number of Professor Bowne's former students residing in places distant from Evanston took advantage of the opportunity to hear him again and their presence gave an index to the appreciation of lecture foundation.

The lectures for the year 1907-08 will be delivered by President Charles W. Eliot of Harvard University, and for the year 1908-09 by Professor Henry F. Osborn, Director of the American Museum of Natural History, New York.

PHI BETA KAPPA SOCIETY.

The following members of the Senior class in the College were elected to membership in the Phi Beta Kappa Society:

Anna Olivia Anderson	Francis Laird Harwood
Albert Ralph Beyer	Louise Hobart
Martha Edna Brodby	May Hughes
Earle Avann Bronson	Arthur Nelson Julian
Harriet Kendall Burr	Alice Keith
Florence Julia Butz	Ruth Bower Minium
Martin Rist Chase	Hattie Antonia Niehoff
Fred Homer Clutton	Jane Bradford Parkinson
Edith Cox	Sarah Rush Parks
Henry Jacob Friesen	Thomas Lansing Porter
Henry Augustus Gilruth	Elise Eugenie Roessler
Violette Amy Good	Queen Lois Shepherd
Rena Marshall Handy	

At the general session of the Society held on June 18th the following members were elected:

Mary Ross Potter	George Peck Merrick
Edwin Almiron Greenlaw	David Decamp Thompson

SIGMA XI SOCIETY.

The following persons were elected to membership in the honorary scientific society during the current year:

Nathaniel Alcock	Lola Sevilla Hitch
Joseph Ray Banister	Raymond Casler Kotz
Martin Rist Chase	Thomas Lansing Porter
Charles Edgar Corbin	Miner Raymond
Charles Elijah Decker	Gilbert Henry Andrew Rech
Samuel Harvey Gilbert	Arthur Hawley Sanford
Daniel Franklin Higgins	

PRIZES FOR 1906-07.

The Kirk Prize, for excellence in oratory, was won by Glenn Porter Wishard, B. S., 1907, who represented the University in the Northern Oratorical League Contest, winning first place.

The winners of the Sargent Prizes, for excellence in declamation, were, first, Arthur Thompson Jolley; second, Samuel Harvey Gilbert.

The Harris Prize, in Political and Social Science, was awarded to Ralph Emerson Heilman, Ph.B., the subject of his essay being "Chicago Traction—A Study of the Efforts of the Public to Secure Good Service."

STATISTICS OF NEW STUDENTS.

The number of new students enrolled during the year 1906-07, exclusive of those from other departments of the University not candidates for a degree, was 379. New students came from 211 different schools, 102 students coming from schools in Evanston and Chicago, 111 from schools in Illinois outside of Evanston and Chicago, and 166 from schools outside of Illinois. Seventy-six students were received from other colleges and universities, twenty-one of these as graduate students.

The distribution of new students by states and countries is as follows:

California	1	New York	6
Colorado	5	Ohio	9
Columbia, District of	1	Oregon	1
Florida	1	South Dakota	4
Illinois	213	Tennessee	1
Evanston and Chicago.	102	Texas	2
Elsewhere in state....	111	Utah	7
Indiana	35	Washington	1
Iowa	28	Wisconsin	10
Kansas	9	Canada	3
Massachusetts	10	Japan	1
Michigan	6	Russia	1
Minnesota	4	Schools not specified.....	5
Missouri	9		
Nebraska	6	Total	379

TOTAL ENROLLMENT FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS.

The total number of students in the College during the past year was 936; the number for the preceding year was 913, an increase of 2.52 per cent. The numbers for the past five years, with their classification, are shown in the following table:

	1902-03	1903-04	1904-05	1905-06	1906-07
Graduate students	57	51	61	59	54
Undergraduates—					
Regular	590	651	660	704	756
Special	88	84	103	91	57
Registered from other departments	34	61	55	59	69
Totals	769	847	879	913	936



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THE ALUMNI ENDOWMENT FUND.

In making its class gift, the class of 1907 inaugurated a plan which is likely to be far reaching in its results. Instead of leaving on the campus some specific object as its memento, the class voted that its members should each contribute annually for five years a sum of money averaging about five dollars a member, to be used in such way and for such purposes as the President of the University might determine. A preference, however, was expressed that the contributions of the class should be used in some way to ensure the erection in the near future of a gymnasium building, either as a beginning of larger contributions or as part payment of the interest on the cost of its erection.

This step on the part of the class has led to a larger movement in the establishment of what is to be known as the Alumni Endowment Fund. To this fund alumni will be asked to contribute annually with the expectation that a multitude of small gifts received in this way will place in the hands of the President annually a sum aggregating several thousand dollars and representing an endowment of several hundred thousand dollars. To avoid working at cross purposes, it has been arranged that the first ten dollars paid by an alumnus on the endowment fund plan or as much of it as may be necessary, shall be transferred to the treasury of the Alumni Association to secure his life membership there.

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